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#### NEWS RELEASE

##### **Bank Robbery, Mansfield**

**Date:** June 23, 2004 **Time:** 9:35 A.M. **Case #:** DPS-04-031179  
**Location:** Liberty Bank, 1132 Storrs Road (Route 195), Mansfield, CT  
**Investigating Trooper:** Detective Vining, Eastern District Major Crime Squad

**Summary:** On 06/23/04, approx. 9:35 A.M., State Police, Troop C was notified of a bank robbery that had just occurred at the above listed bank. The bank is located approximately one mile south of the University of Connecticut campus, on Storrs Road (aka Rt. 195). State Troopers, including a K-9 team, converged upon the area as did members of the Mansfield Police and State Police Detectives from the Eastern District Major Crime Squad. The State Police Aviator Unit also responded to the area to search with a fixed wing aircraft. Investigation revealed that an unknown white male entered the bank and handed the bank teller a note indicating that he has a weapon. The teller handed this suspect an undetermined amount of money at which time the suspect left the area on foot, heading south on Rt. 195. No bank employees were injured. The suspect is described as follows: White male, approx. 5'4" – 5'6", thin build, in his twenties. He was wearing a dark ball cap with the letter "M" on it and a bandanna underneath the cap. The suspect was wearing a dark t-shirt, gray sweatpants and white sneakers. The suspect was also wearing sunglasses. The suspect appeared to have a slight mustache and a one or two day's growth of facial hair on his chin. Persons with information concerning this crime and/or this suspect are asked to contact State Police at Troop C (860-896-3200 or 1-800-318-7633). The Connecticut Bankers Reward Association is offering a reward of up to \$1000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons(s) responsible for this crime.

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## STATE POLICE INVESTIGATE BANK ROBBERY

**MANSFIELD**—Today 6/23/2004 at 9:30 a.m. State Police Troop-C received a bank alarm and a 911 call reporting that a bank robbery had just taken place at the Liberty Bank RT. 195 & Rt. 275 in Mansfield.

State Troopers responded to and secured the area of the bank. State Police Troopers obtained the following details: the suspect entered the bank implied that he was armed and demanded money from the bank teller. The robbery suspect was described as a white male in his 20's 5'4" to 5'6" wearing blue baseball cap, sunglasses, gray sweatpants, dark t-shirt, and white sneakers. There was no weapon displayed. The suspect fled on foot south on Rt. 195.

Troopers have initiated an aerial and ground search for the suspect. State Police K-9 teams were also dispatched to the scene.

The Eastern District Major Crime Squad Detectives responded to the bank scene to conduct the investigation into this bank robbery.

Anyone who was in the area, saw the suspect, a vehicle or saw anything suspicious is asked to contact State Police at 860- 896-3200 all calls will be kept confidential.

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